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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
DWPI IPC B60T 13/-, B60T 7/-, F16H 25/-, F16D 65/-, F16D 55/- with keywords : rotor, motor, stator, elipse, non circular, oval, ovoid, flexible, pliable, resilient, plastic, elastic, sleeve, cylinder, bush, actuator, drive or similar terms.

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 6109136 A (DOLD) 29 August 2000 Column 1 line 55 to column 3 line 43	1 – 30
A	US 6202509 B1 (DOLD) 20 March 2001 Whole document	1 – 30
A	DE 3815118 A1 (FESTO KG) 16 November 1989 Whole document	1 – 30
A	US 6533082 B2 (GILL et al) 18 March 2003 Whole document	1 – 30
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US	6109136	DE	19733497	EP	0895001	
US	6202509	EP	0974773	JP	2000055148	
DE	3815118					
US	6533082	EP	1211149	JP	2002205627	US 2002066626
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